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Petitioner - Appellant

v.

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Respondent - Appellee

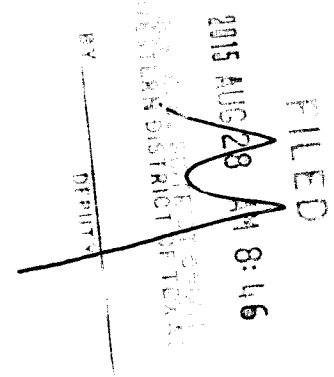
Appeal from the United States District Court for the  
Western District of Texas, El Paso

Before STEWART, Chief Judge, and PRADO, and HAYNES, Circuit Judges.

J U D G M E N T

This cause was considered on the record on appeal and the briefs on file.

It is ordered and adjudged that the judgment of the District Court is affirmed.



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PER CURIAM:\*

Lindsey Kent Springer, federal prisoner # 02580-063, appeals the district court's dismissal of his 28 U.S.C. § 2241 petition for habeas corpus relief. Springer challenged the authority of District Court Judge Stephen Friot to preside over his case because the judge was hearing cases on a temporary basis in the Northern District of Oklahoma, pursuant to an order by the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals. The district court denied relief, concluding that

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\* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

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Springer failed to meet the requirements of the savings clause under 28 U.S.C. § 2255, which allows a federal prisoner to challenge his conviction under § 2241 if the remedies provided under § 2255 are “inadequate or ineffective to test the legality of his detention.” When addressing the denial of a § 2241 petition, we review the district court’s factual findings for clear error and its conclusions of law de novo. *Christopher v. Miles*, 342 F.3d 378, 381 (5th Cir. 2003).

A petitioner seeking to establish that his § 2255 remedy was inadequate or ineffective must make a claim (i) “based on a retroactively applicable Supreme Court decision which establishes that the petitioner may have been convicted of a nonexistent offense” that (ii) “was foreclosed by circuit law at the time when the claim should have been raised in the petitioner’s trial, appeal, or first § 2255 motion.” *Reyes-Requena v. United States*, 243 F.3d 893, 904 (5th Cir. 2001).

Because Springer again challenges only the authority of Judge Friot and his temporary assignment in the Northern District of Oklahoma, he has failed to make the showing required by *Reyes-Requena*. See *Reyes-Requena*, 243 F.3d at 904. Moreover, he has not shown any error in Judge Friot’s temporary assignment by the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals to preside over cases in another district. See 28 U.S.C. § 292(b).

The judgment of the district court is AFFIRMED.

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No. 14-50561      Lindsey Springer v. Rachel Chapa  
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Dear Ms. Clack,

Enclosed is a copy of the judgment issued as the mandate and a copy of the court's opinion.

Sincerely,

LYLE W. CAYCE, Clerk



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cc:      Mr. Lindsey Kent Springer